

LAFAYETTE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES

September 21, 2015

The Lafayette County Board of Supervisors Law Enforcement Committee held its regularly scheduled monthly meeting on Monday, September 21, 2015 in the Sheriff's Office Conference Room in Darlington, WI. The meeting was called to order at 5:30PM by Committee Chairman Gerald Heimann.

Present at the meeting were: Committee Chair Gerald Heimann, Committee members Connie Hull, Dwayne Larson and David Halloran. County Board Chairman Jack Sauer, Sheriff Reg Gill, Chief Deputy John Reichling and Lt. Theresa Burgess were also present.

Mr. Heimann called for proof of posting of the meeting notices. Sheriff Gill reported that the notices were posted in the City of Darlington at the Courthouse, Municipal Building and Town Bank.

The minutes from the previous meeting were presented and read. Mr. Halloran made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Larson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

STATUS REPORTS:

Communication Tower: Much of the equipment to build the tower was delivered September 10th. The office received word that the second soil test passed inspection and the agency is now awaiting word regarding licensing.

STAFF CHANGES: Deputy Eric Seiler resigned his position to begin work in the private sector. Seiler had been employed with the agency since 2012 as a nightshift dispatcher and road deputy. He has been replaced by Deputy Erik Longseth, who has worked for the Sheriff's Office as a part-time patrolman since 2011. All full-time jail staff vacancies have now been filled. The office also hired Deputy Tim Farrell as a fill-in employee. Farrell was born and raised in Blanchardville and recently graduated from the University of WI., Platteville. On another personnel matter, Deputy Brandon Gudgeon is reported on family leave upon the birth of his daughter.

SOFTWARE PROJECT: Members of the Sheriff's Office met with representatives of "Tach 10", another manufacturer of "RMS" Records Management Software. Another vendor is scheduled to meet with staff on October 1st.

NEW BUSINESS: Recently Shullsburg Police Chief Rick Moyer resigned his position. The City of Shullsburg has asked the Sheriff's Office to enter into a policing agreement with them. The agency would provide an officer for 24 hours per week, temporarily, until a new Police Chief is hired. Sheriff Gill advised the City of Shullsburg he would agree to assist them.

COURT OFFICER: There was discussion regarding a pay increase for the Court Officer position. After much discussion, the matter was tabled until next month.

BULLET PROOF VESTS: Chief Deputy Reichling recently applied for grant funding for vests for LFSO deputies. The funding was approved and two vendors have visited the office to make presentations to the staff.

ATV PATROL REIMBURSEMENT: Sheriff Gill updated the Committee that the office had requested a reimbursement of \$15,078.99 for patrolling the Recreation Trail. This reimbursement will be provided by the WI. Dept. of Natural Resources.

BUDGET 2016: The 2016 budget was presented and discussed. Overall, the requested budget showed a decrease of \$8,778.00 in Tax Levy. There was discussion on the budget and Mr. Halloran made a motion to approve the budget as presented and to forward in on to the Finance Committee. Mr. Larson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ACTION ON RESOLUTION: The Resolution for the adoption of Law Enforcement Policies Required for Submission of Community Development Block Grants, as requested by the Lafayette Housing Authority was discussed. A motion by Mr. Larson to approve the resolution and send it to the full County Board was made. Mr. Halloran seconded. Motion carried.

All monthly bills were presented and read. Mr. Larson made a motion to accept the bills as presented. Ms. Hull seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The next meeting is scheduled for October 26th at 5:30PM.

At 6:30PM Mr. Larson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Halloran seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.

F. John Reichling
Chief Deputy